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In re Application of: Hillman et al.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed April 14, 2000.

Please amend the specification of the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel remaining claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8, 13-18, without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add the following new claims:

21. A purified polypeptide comprising an amino acid sequence selected from the group consisting of:

- a) an amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:3 or SEQ ID NO:5,
b) a naturally-occurring amino acid sequence having at least 90% sequence identity to the sequence of SEQ ID NO:3 or SEQ ID NO:5,
c) a biologically-active fragment of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:3 or SEQ ID NO:5, and

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